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AT THE SECOND SESSION

OF THE

FIRST LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

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Render
account

Penalty for
default.

greaseable to the assessment; and the said trustees shall at the end of the time for which they were elected, render an account of the same to the parish judge, and should any sums be unappropriated, the same shall be paid into the hands of the parish judge in trust for the succeeding trustees, and in case of default of the trustees whose term of time is thus expired, it shall be the duty of the parish judge to summon them to a settlement, enter judgment and issue execution for arrearages if necessary.

Clerk and
collector.

Fees.

SECT. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the trustees shall appoint one clerk and one collector, whose term of service shall expire at the same time with that of the trustees, which said officers shall be entitled to such fees as the said trustees may deem proper to allow them.

STEPHEN A. HOPKINS,

Speaker of the house of representatives.

J. POYDRAS,

President of the senate.

APPROVED, March 25th, 1813.

WILLIAM C. C. CLAIBORNE,

Governor of the state of Louisiana.

AN ACT

Against carrying concealed weapons, and going armed in public places in an unnecessary manner.

Preamble

Whereas assassination and attempts to commit the same, have of late been of such frequent occurrence as to become a subject of serious alarm to the peaceable and well disposed inhabitants of this state; and whereas the same is in a great measure to be attributed to the dangerous and wicked practice of carrying about in public places concealed and deadly weapons, or going to the same armed in an unnecessary manner, therefore;

Penalty
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pons.

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the state of Louisiana, in general assembly convened*, That from and after the passage of this act, any person who shall be found with any concealed weapon, such as a dirk, dagger, knife, pistol or any other deadly weapon concealed in his bosom, coat or in any other place about him that do not appear in full open view, any person so offending, shall on conviction thereof before any justice of the peace, be subject to pay a fine not to exceed fifty dol-

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esclaves) et pour son usage, d'une piastre sur chaque mille piastres, suivant le tableau des taxes; et lesdits administrateurs, à l'expiration du terme pour lequel ils auront été élus, en rendront compte au juge de la paroisse, et, s'il restait en caisse des fonds disponibles, ils seront versés entre les mains du juge de paroisse qui les gardera jusqu'à la nomination d'autres administrateurs, et si lesdits administrateurs, à l'expiration du terme pour lequel ils auront été élus, négligeaient de rendre le compte susdit, il sera du devoir du juge de paroisse de les sommer de rendre leurs comptes et de les poursuivre en justice et de lancer contre eux des mandats d'exécution pour les sommes arriérées, s'il le juge nécessaire.

Peines pour défaut.

SECT. 3. *Et il est de plus décrété*, Que lesdits administrateurs nommeront un commis et un collecteur de taxe, dont le terme de service finira en même temps que celui des administrateurs et qui auront droit à la compensation que les administrateurs jugeront à propos de leur accorder.

Commis et collecteur.

STEPHEN A. HOPKINS,

Orateur de la Chambre des Représentans,

J. POYDRAS,

Président du Senat.

Approuvé le 25 Mars 1813.

WM. C. C. CLAIBORNE,

Gouverneur de l'Etat de la Louisiane.

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ACTE

*Pour défendre de porter des armes cachées et de se présenter armé d'une manière inutile dans les endroits publics.*

Vu qu'il s'est commis dernièrement des assassinats et qu'il a été essayé d'en commettre d'autres de manière à causer de sérieuses alarmes aux habitans paisibles et bien disposés de cet état, et vu qu'on doit en grande partie attribuer la cause de ces assassinats à la coutume pernicieuse et condamnable de porter dans des endroits publics, des armes cachées et dangereuses, ou de s'y rendre armé d'une manière inutile,

Preambule.

SECT. 1<sup>ère</sup>. *Il est décrété par le sénat et la chambre des Représentans de l'Etat de la Louisiane réunis en Assemblée Générale*, Qu'à dater de la passation de cet acte, toute personne qui sera trouvée armée d'aucune arme cachée, tels que poignard, dague, couteau, pistolet ou toute autre arme meurtrière dans son habit ou ailleurs sur lui et qui ne seront point ostensibles, toute personne coupable de cette contravention, sera, sur conviction du fait, devant un juge de paix, condamné à une amende qui n'excédera pas

Peines contre ceux qui portent des armes cachées.

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How dis- lars nor less than twenty dollars, one half to the use  
tributed. of the state, and the balance to the informer; and  
should any person be convicted of being guilty of a  
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lars to be applied as aforesaid, and be imprisoned for  
a time not exceeding six months.

Penalty for stabbing &c. SECT. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That should  
any person stab or shoot, or in any way disable ano-  
ther by such concealed weapons, or should take the  
life of any person, shall on conviction before any com-  
petent court suffer death, or such other punishment  
as in the opinion of a jury shall be just.

Suspect- ed persons may be searched. SECT. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That when  
any officer has good reason to believe that any person  
or persons have weapons concealed about them, for  
the purpose of committing murder, or in any other  
way armed in such a concealed manner, on proof  
thereof being made to any justice of the peace, by  
the oath of one or more credible witnesses, it shall  
be the duty of such judge and justice to issue a war-  
rant against such offender and have him searched,  
and should he be found with such weapons, to fine  
him in any sum not exceeding fifty dollars nor less  
than twenty dollars, and to bind over to keep the  
peace of the state, with such security as may appear  
necessary for one year; and on such offender failing to  
give good and sufficient security as aforesaid; the  
said justice of the peace shall be authorised to com-  
mit said offender to prison for any time not exceeding  
twenty days.

Fine.

Sureties of the peace.

STEPHEN A. HOPKINS,

*Speaker of the house of representatives.*

J. POYDRAS,

*President of the senate.*

APPROVED, March 25th, 1815.

WILLIAM C. C. CLAIBORNE,

*Governor of the state of Louisiana.*

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AN ACT

*To establish a permanent seat of justice in and for
the parish of St. Tammany.*

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the senate and house of
representatives of the state of Louisiana, in general
assembly convened*, That Thomas Spell, Robert Bar-
dony, Benjamin Howard, Joseph Hertraire and Ben-
Commissioners.